7. WESCO

8. SOUTHCO

**Delhi**

9. North Delhi Power Company Ltd.

10. BSES Yamuna Power Ltd.

11. BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd.

**Disputes in Hydro Power Projects of Rajasthan and NESs**

885. DR. ABRAR AHMED: Will the Minsiter of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the Hydro-power projects disputes concerning the State of Rajasthan and other Northern States; and

(b) how the Central Government propose to solve the issue?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) The requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Projects Adopted by NHPC in NESs**

886. SHRI DRUPAD BORGOHAIN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the projects adopted by NHPC for implementation in North-Eastern States in last three years;

(b) by when Subangiri Lower Project is likely to be started;

(c) what is the status of other projects of Subangiri, Dihang and Tipaimukh prepared by the Brahmaputra Board; and

(d) whether NHPC propose to look afresh at the projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) The Subansiri Lower Hydro Electric Project (2000MW) in Arunachal Pradesh and the Loktak Downstream Hydro Electric Projects (90MW) in Manipur have been undertaken by national Hydroelectric Power Corporation (NHPC) for implementation in the North-Eastern Region.

(b) The Subansiri Lower Hydro Electric Project has been approved by the Government of India on September 9, 2003 with a completion period of 7 years.

(c) Brief status of the Subansiri Middle (1600 MW) and Subansiri Upper (2000 MW) Hydro Electric Projects in Arunachal Pradesh, the Dihang Multi-purpose Project (3000 MW) and the Tipaimukh Hydro Electric Projects (1500MW) (Multipurpose) in Manipur, are given in the Statement enclosed. (*See* below)

(d) NHPC has nine projects (in addition to two small hydro projects under execution on deposit basis, *viz.* Kameng Hydroelectric project (6MW) and Sippi Hydroelectric project (4 MW) in Arunachal Pradesh) under various stages of execution in the North Eastern Region. After taking over the projects, NHPC has started afresh for getting various statutory clearances like Notification under Section 18-A of Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948, Site Clearances Stage I&II from MOEF, Commercial Viability from CEA, Stage-II sanction from Ministry of Power, Techno-Economic Clearance from CEA, Defense Clearances, Investment sanction etc. and finally execution of the project.

***Statement***

*Brief Status of various Hydro Electric Projects in Arunachal Pradesh*

| Sl. No. | Name of the Project | Brief Status |
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| 1. | Subansiri Middle (1600 MW), Arunachal Pradesh | Feasibility Report has been prepared by NHPC and submitted to Central electricity Authority for ascertaining commercial viability. NHPC has been advised by CEA to prepare the Detailed Project Report (DPR) and take up essential infrastructure work. DPR in under preparation by NHPC. Site clearance rejected by the Ministry of Environment & Forests (MoEF). MoEF has been requested for reconsideration of the case of site clearance. |

| Sl. No. | Name of the Project | Brief Status |
|---|---|---|
| 2. | Subansiri Upper (200 MW), Arunachal Pradesh | Feasibility Report has been prepared by NHPC and submitted to Central Electricity Authority for ascertaining commercial viability. NHPC has been advised by CEA to prepare the Detailed Project Report (DPR) and take up essential infrastructure work. DPR is under preparation by NHPC. Site clearance rejected by the Ministry of Environment & (MoEF). MoEF has been requested for reconsideration of the case of site clearance. |
| 3. | Dihang (Siang Upper 11000 MW), Arunachal Pradesh | Investigation work for preparation of Feasibility Report has been taken up by NHPC. The installed capacity is to be firmed/revised on the basis of the data that could be made available. |
| 4. | Tipaimukh Hydro Electric Project (1500 MW), Manipur | Brahmaputra Board transferred the project to North Eastern Electric Power Corporation Ltd. (NEEPCO) on 14-7-1999. NEEPCO has obtained various clearances for the project and has undertaken preparation of design/tender specifications etc. Invitation for short-listing of proposective bidders through International Competitive Bidding (ICB) has been issued in July, 2003. Bids will be opened in January, 2004. |